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Dear Mr. John Merino:

In accordance with our responsibilities under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations for Implementing NEPA, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 office in Dallas, Texas, has completed its review of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Resource Management Plan Revisions for strategies for managing public land and its resources in Socorro and Catron Counties, New Mexico.

EPA rated the DEIS as "LO," i.e., EPA has "Lack of Objections" on July 19, 2007. Our review of the FEIS did not identify any new concerns and therefore the agency has no additional comments (NC) to offer. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Jansky of my staff at 214-665-7451 or by e-mail at <u>jansky.michael@epa.gov</u>.

EPA appreciates the opportunity to review the FEIS. Please send our office two copies of the Record of Decision (ROD) when it is sent to the Office of Federal Activities, EPA (Mail Code 2252A), Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20460.

Sincerely yours,

Cathy Gilmore, Chief Office of Planning and

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